



Robert Joseph Jankowski

September 1, 1955 - October 26, 2023

Jankowski, Robert Joseph, October 26, 2023 age 68 of Wayne. Loving brother of John (Lynette) Jankowski, and Ken Jankowski. Proud uncle of many nieces and nephews. Arrangements entrusted with Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude PL, Memphis TN, 38105-9959. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

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“ *Robert Joseph Jankowski*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Joseph Jankowski.*



November 06, 2023 at 07:10 AM



“ *Lee and Leona Krompart planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Joseph Jankowski.*

Lee and Leona Krompart - November 06, 2023 at 07:10 AM



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JAY BARON - November 03, 2023 at 08:31 AM



Bob was our friend. We met as undergraduates at the University of Michigan and stayed in touch while he completed his master's degree at Michigan State University. For years after that, we connected over dinner, including Thanksgiving dinners at our home. He would usually arrive with a fresh copy of the Detroit Free Press and a list of 'talking points' that he wanted to cover – mostly discussions of the status of our favorite sports teams and our opinions on current topics in politics, where we didn't always agree. We would watch the Lions game and maybe play some euchre or a video game. This year, we'll be cheering for the Lions and for our beloved Wolverines and hoping to see a national title or two. We know he'll be doing the same.

-- Jay and Beth Baron

Beth Baron - November 04, 2023 at 09:12 PM

Bob and I had been friends for over 45 years, having met as students in MSU's MBA program in the fall of 1977. We've kept in touch over the years with semi-monthly meetings over beer and burgers - usually at the Brecon Grill in Saline. As Jay and Beth noted, Bob would usually bring a list of "talking points" that included local/regional news items, social issues and state and national politics. We too frequently didn't agree on these issues although I suspect that Bob often took a contrarian view simply for the sake of argument. Perhaps he should have gone into the law as he loved a good argument. He was especially proud of having prevailed in his own defense in a traffic dispute. He had been ticketed for leaving his running vehicle unattended. His defense was that his car was visible from the bar stool he was occupying, and that his dog was in the car keeping watch. Therefore, the car was not unattended! The judge ruled in his favor.

Over the years we shared many beers, burgers and good times. He will be missed

Mike Jacobitz Nov. 5, 2023

Michael Jacobitz - November 05, 2023 at 10:16 AM